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CYLINDRICAL COMPONENT OF GLASS

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action issued August 31, 1998, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 10, line 7, delete "(not shown in Figure 1)" and insert therefor -- 100 --.

Page 10, line 8, after "from above.", insert the following sentences — The feed device 100 comprises a dummy rod 101 made of quartz glass, which is welded to the end of the quartz glass cylinder 12. The dummy rod 101 is held by a gripping fixture 102 which is provided with rollers 103 rolling on a wall 104 when the gripping fixture 102 is moved up and down by a cable winch 105. —.

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Page 10, line 11, delete "(not shown in Figure 1)" and insert therefor -- 106 --

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